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**Recommendations by Canada for Antigua and Barbuda’s UPR**

Thank you Madam President,

Canada welcomes the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda and the country’s progress since the last review cycle. In particular, Canada commends efforts taken to develop the necessary laws, policies, and programmes to progressively meet its obligations under the *Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities*, including by ensuring access to all public facilities.

Canada recommends that Antigua and Barbuda:

1. Prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, including by repealing all laws criminalising sexual relations between consenting adults.
2. Eliminate overcrowding in Her Majesty's Prison and increase resources aimed at improving the overall living condition of inmates.
3. Abolish the death penalty.

We stand ready to work in partnership with the Government of Antigua & Barbuda on these issues.